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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY)

SUBJECT: PUBLIC REMARKS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER AND
SECRETARY MACEACHEN

1. FOLLOWING TEXT PUBLIC REMARKS BY SECRETARY KISSINGER
AND CANADIAN SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
MACEACHEN BEFORE A BILATERAL MEETING IN PARIS
DECEMBER 17.

2. BEGIN TEXT: KISSINGER: I DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD ANY
PROBLEMS UNTIL A FEW DAYS AGO.

MACEACHEN: WELL, DO WE HAVE ANY?

KISSINGER: NO.

MACEACHEN: I DON'T THINK SO EITHER.

KISSINGER: WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP.

MACEACHEN: I'VE BEEN SAYING TO YOU AND TO MYSELF AND TO
ALL OTHERS THAT THE STATE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WAS
EXCELLENT. IN FACT, I THINK IT IS BETTER THAN IT HAS
BEEN FOR SOME TIME.

KISSINGER: I THINK THE STATE OF OUR RELATIONS IS
EXCELLENT. BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES OF OUR SIZE THERE ARE
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ALWAYS SOME PROBLEMS BUT WE ARE SOLVING THEM IN A

SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP. OUR RELATIONS ARE GOOD. THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT'S RELATIONS ARE VERY GOOD ALSO.

MACEACHEN: WELL, THAT IS, I AM GLAD TO SAY, THIS IS THE INTERPRETATION THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS PUT ON ALL THESE COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE RECENTLY IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. AND HIS INTERPRETATION IS THAT HIS RELATIONS WITH THE PRESIDENT ARE GOOD AND WITH YOU. .

KISSINGER: OF COURSE, WITHOUT PROBLEMS LIFE WOULD BE DULL. BUT THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE. . .

MACEACHEN: OF COURSE, THERE ARE PROBLEMS AND WE HAVE AGREED THAT WE WANT TO CONSULT ABOUT THEM AND WORK THEM OUT.

KISSINGER: I THINK THAT OUR RELATIONS HAVEN'T BEEN BETTER, AT LEAST SINCE I'VE BEEN IN WASHINGTON. THIS IS MY ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION.

MACEACHEN: WELL, I AGREE WITH THAT. I CAN ONLY COMMENT WITH RESPECT TO MY OWN PERIOD IN OFFICE AND I THINK THE ATMOSPHERE IS BETTER NOW THAN IT WAS A YEAR AND A HALF AGO. END TEXT.

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